

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 CAPE T 00693 080622Z
ACTION AF-10

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 IO-14 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 INR-10
NSAE-00 PA-02 ICA-20 SP-02 /071 W
-----054787 082045Z /21

R 071454Z APR 78
FM AMEMBASSY CAPE TOWN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7071
USMISSION USUN NEW YORK
INFO AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM
AMEMBASSY GABORONE
AMEMBASSY LAGOS
AMEMBASSY LONDON
AMEMBASSY LUSAKA
AMEMBASSY MAPUTO
AMEMBASSY OTTAWA
AMEMBASSY PARIS
AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

UNCLAS CAPE TOWN 0693

E.O.11652:N/A
TAGS: PDEV, PINT, WA
SUB: NAMIBIA: JOINT STATEMENT BY NAMIBIAN CHURCH
LEADERS

1. FOLLOWING IS THE PUBLIC STATEMENT BY NAMIBIAN CHURCH
LEADERS ISSUED ON APRIL 7.

2. QUOTE: WE, THE UNDERSIGNED REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR
RESPECTIVE DENOMINATIONS, WISH TO STATE THE FOLLOWING
ABOUT THE PRESENT SITUATION IN NAMIBIA AND THE "PROPOSAL
FOR A SETTLEMENT OF THE NAMIBIAN SITUATION" DATED 30TH
MARCH 1978.

WE REITERATE THE CHURCHES' TIME-HONORED STAND
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 CAPE T 00693 080622Z

AGAINST VIOLENCE, WE STAND BY OUR LORD'S TEACHING
AND EXAMPLE, NAMELY, "THOU SHALT LOVE THY NEIGHBOR
AS THYSELF."

WE BELIEVE THAT FROM TIME TO TIME IN THE
HISTORY OF GOD'S SALVATION OF MAN, THERE IS A
RIGHT MOMENT FOR THE CHURCHES TO CALL OUT TO THE

NATION, TO SOUND THE TRUMPET OF PEACE. SUCH A MOMENT IS NOW.

AS THE REPRESENTATIVES OF CHURCHES TO WHICH BELONG OVER HALF THE POPULATION OF THIS COUNTRY WE THEREFORE NOW CALL UPON ALL TO ACCEPT THE 30TH MARCH 1978 "PROPOSAL FOR A SETTLEMENT OF THE NAMIBIAN SITUATION." WE BELIEVE THAT THIS PROPOSAL IS A BASIS UPON WHICH CAN BE FOUNDED THE LONG-AWAITED UNITED AND FREE COUNTRY OF NAMIBIA.

WE WOULD BE FAILING OUR DUTY AND CONCERN IF WE WERE NOT TO WARN OF THE POSSIBLE TERRIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF HESITATING AT THIS ELEVENTH HOUR.

THE SIGNS ARE THERE FOR ALL TO SEE: "IF YOU HAVE EARS, THEN LISTEN TO WHAT THE SPIRIT SAYS TO THE CHURCHES."

"TO HIM WHO SITS ON THE THRONE AND TO THE LAMP? BE PRAISE AND HONOR, GLORY AND MIGHT, FOREVER AND EVER."

DR. J.J. DE VRIES AND BISHOP L. AUALA, UNITED EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN NAMIBIA.

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 03 CAPE T 00693 080622Z

BISHOP R. KOPPMANN, ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, DIOCESE OF WINDHOEK.

REV. E.S. MORROW, ANGLICAN CHURCH, DIOCESE OF DAMARALAND. END QUOTE.

BOWDLER

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: POLITICAL SETTLEMENT, RELIGIOUS LEADERS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 07 apr 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 jan 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978CAPET00693
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780153-0059
Format: TEL
From: CAPE TOWN
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780482/aaaacrqm.tel
Line Count: 101
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: a2a6d4b4-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 03 mar 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3045379
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: NAMIBIA: JOINT STATEMENT BY NAMIBIAN CHURCH LEADERS
TAGS: PDEV, PINT, WA
To: STATE USUN NEW YORK
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/a2a6d4b4-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014